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SUBJECT: CAMPANIA PSI REGIONAL CONGRESS AND OTHER RESULTS

1. THE CAMPANIA PSI REGIONAL CONGRESS CLOSED MARCH 22 WITH INCOMPLETE BUT INDICATIVE RESULTS. INCOMPLETE BECAUSE OF ALLEGED IRREGULARITIES IN SALERNO PROVINCE PSI ASSEMBLIES. INDICATIVE BECAUSE CRAXI-SIGNORILE SUPPORTERS MANAGED TO IMPROVE THEIR POSITION VIS A VIS FORMERLY DOMINANT DE MARTINO FOLLOWING. IF SALERNO RESULTS ARE INCLUDED (CRAXI SIGNORILE TOOK THE MAJORITY) THE EROSION OF DE MARTINO STRENGTH IN

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HIS NAPLES HOME AREA IS EVEN MORE APPARENT.

2. THE CAMPANIA REGIONAL COMMITTEE LINE-UP BY FACTIONS IS AS FOLLOWS:

CRAXI-SIGNORILE - 17 SEATS

DE MARTINO - 24 "

MANCINI - 12 "

AUTONOMOUS - 7 " (NATIONALLY WITH

CRAXI-SIGNORILE)

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SINISTRA (ACHILLI) 1 "

TOTAL 61 "

3. DEFINITIVE PERCENTAGES BY LIST ARE NOT AVAILABLE FOR CAMPANIA SINCE SALERNO PROVINCE RESULTS ARE LACKING BUT THE AVERAGE OF PROVINCIAL FINDINGS LESS SALERNO GIVES THE CRAXI-SIGNORILE LIST 40 ; DE MARTINO - MANCA GROUP 38 ; MANCINI 20 , AND THE ACHILLI FAITHFUL
2 . CAMPANIA REGIONAL DELEGATES TO THE MARCH 29 TURIN CONGRESS LISTED

BY FACTION ARE:

CRAXI-SIGNORILE - 9 DELEGATES
DE MARTINO - 13 "
MANCINI - 6 "
AUTONOMOUS - 4 "
SINISTRA - 0 "

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OBTAINING THE CRAXI-SIGNORILE AND AUTONOMOUS DELEGATES TOGETHER
EQUAL THE DE MARTINO TOTAL. MANCINI FOLLOWERS IN 1977 NAPLES PRO-
VINCIAL CONGRESS VOTED WITH DE MARTINO BUT SOME TALK OF A SHIFT TO
CRAXI-SIGNORILE.

4. ELSEWHERE IN THE MAINLAND SOUTH CRAXI-SIGNORILE LIST HAS DEMON-
STRATED SURPRISING STRENGTH. IN PUGLIA THE LIST POLLED (BY PROVINCE)
65 IN BARI, 82 IN FOGGIA 60 IN LECCE AND 72 IN TARANTO. EVEN IN
CALABRIA THE UNOFFICIAL CRAXI-SIGNORILE LIST TOTAL WAS 53 IN REGGIO
PROVINCE, IF ONLY 31 IN MANCINI'S HOME PROVINCE OF COSENZA.
INTRA-PARTY COMPETITION IS STIFF AND SERIOUS. THE MANCINI GROUP IN
COLLABORATION WITH "FRIENDS OF MANCA" SUCCEEDED IN CAPTURING ALL
IMPORTANT PSI POSITIONS IN THE CALABRIA REGIONAL GOVERNMENT (COUNCIL
PRESIDENT AND THOSE GIUNTA POSITIONS) THUS PRECIPITATING A VIRTUAL
BREAK WITH CRAXI FOLLOWERS WHO NOW THREATEN TO PULL OUT OF LEFTIST
GIUNTAS IN CALABRIA. THIS WOULD BRING DOWN BOTH THE PROVINCIAL AND
CITY ADMINISTRATIONS OF COSENZA. IN SPITE OF THE CALABRIAN ROCKY
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ROAD THE CRAXI-SIGNORILE BANDWAGON ROLLS ON TOWARD TURIN. COLANTONIO.

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